

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 765

By Calfee

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Janelle Arthur for her success in the music industry.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should recognize those gifted artists who are finding great success in the world of country music; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Janelle Arthur, whose passion for music has spanned two decades and brought her to Nashville, Tennessee, to pursue her love of singing and country music; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arthur's singing career began at Dollywood, where she played a young Dolly Parton for four years as one of the featured female vocalists; she later moved on to become one of the youth performers on Country Tonite in Pigeon Forge; and

WHEREAS, at age twenty, Janelle Arthur moved to Nashville and soon was chosen for Season 10 of *American Idol*, where she was cut during Hollywood week; she continued to work on her career in order to achieve her dreams of becoming a star; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Arthur had greater success during Season 12 of *American Idol*, during which she reached the top 5 and attracted numerous fans due to her southern charm, stunning vocals, trademark cowboy boots, and stage performance; and

WHEREAS, she was honored during the season finale of *American Idol* by The Band Perry, who invited her to join them on stage during their guest performance; and

WHEREAS, Janelle Arthur has performed on numerous stages since her days on *American Idol*, including at the CMT One Country & Sheba event as well as four performances at the Grand Ole Opry since her debut in June 2012; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Janelle Arthur for her contributions to the music industry; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we congratulate Janelle Arthur upon her successful season on *American Idol*, commend her for her numerous appearances at the Grand Ole Opry, and extend to her our best wishes for much continued success as an artist and songwriter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.